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BRAZIL CULTURAL FESTIVAL
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indo-Brazil Joint Working Group(JWG) decided to hold the Brazil Cultural Festival in India from January to March, 2008 and the Indian Cultural Festival in Brazil from July to September, 2008;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the other cities in India where the Festival will be held alongwith the details of expenditure incurred on holding such festivals;

(d) the details of the Ministries/Organisations which will co-ordinate in holding the festivals in India;

(e) the names of other countries including Brazil with which India proposes to exchange such cultural functions on reciprocal basis; and

(f) if so, the names of such countries?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir.

(c) The Festival of Brazil in India will be held at major cities such as Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata and Chennai. The expenditure to be incurred will be firmed up on case to case basis.

(d): The Ministry of Culture will organize the festivals through agencies such as Indira Gandhi National Centre for Art, Lalit Kala Akedami, National School of Drama, Sangeet Natak Akedami and Sahitya Akedami.

(e) & (f): Other than Brazil, such cultural festivals on reciprocal basis have been proposed with countries like Poland, Egypt and Russia.